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SUBJECT: MODE: PROPOSED REDUCTION ONE AMERICAN POSITION,  
VOA, TANGIER

REF: STATE 75 A-4171

1. I HAVE RECENTLY MADE A REVIEW OF AMERICAN SECRETARIAL POSITIONS IN TANGIER. THE CONSULATE GENERAL AND VOA EACH HAVE ONE AMERICAN SECRETARIAL POSITION ASSIGNED. THE CONSULATE GENERAL HAS TWO OFFICERS AND THE VOA EIGHT OFFICERS, ALL BUT THREE OF WHOM SUPERVISE TECHNICAL FUNCTIONS. BOTH AMERICAN SECRETARIES ARE UNDEREMPLOYED. IT IS ESTIMATED THE CONGEN AMERICAN SECRETARY HAS FROM ONE-AND-A-HALF TO TWO-AND-A-HALF-HOURS FREE TIME PER DAY AVERAGE. VOA SECRETARY HAS LIMITED AND SPORADIC CLASSIFIED TYPING BUT PERFORMS MOSTLY UNCLASSIFIED FUNCTIONS. THERE APPEARS TO BE NO PROBLEM WITH CONGEN AMERICAN SECRETARY ASSUMING VOA CLASSIFIED TYPING. HOWEVER, DUE VOLUME OF UNCLASSIFIED VOA WORK PRESENTLY BEING DONE BY THEIR AMERICAN SECRETARY, SHE WOULD NEED TO BE REPLACED WITH A LOCAL SECRETARY.

2. JUSTIFICATIONS FOR POSITION CHANGES:

A. REVIEW CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MODE AUTHORITY GRANTED AMBASSADOR.

B. POSITION NO. TRB-23, SECRETARY, FSS-08, VOA, TANGIER.

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C. GENERAL SECRETARIAL DUTIES. NO FOREIGN OFFICIALS

INVOLVED.

D. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

E. CONGEN AMERICAN SECRETARY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO ASSUME CLASSIFIED TYPING DUTIES. A NEW LOCAL SECRETARIAL POSITION WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PERFORM OTHER (UNCLASSIFIED) FUNCTIONS.

F. NO REACTION ANTICIPATED FROM HOST GOVERNMENT.

G. NO OFF-SET AMERICAN POSITION INVOLVED.

H. CONGEN AMERICAN SECRETARY WOULD ASSUME CLASSIFIED DUTIES AND NEWLY ESTABLISHED LOCAL SECRETARIAL POSITION WOULD COVER REMAINDER OF DUTIES.

I. PROPOSAL DISCUSSED WITH ACTING DIRECTOR EMMETT J. MURPHY, VOA, TANGIER, WHO CONCURS IN PROPOSAL PROVIDED LOCAL SECRETARIAL POSITION AUTHORIZED AND ACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF CLASSIFIED SECRETARIAL SERVICE CAN BE PROVIDED BY CONSULATE GENERAL. CONCURRENCE ALSO OBTAINED FROM ACTING PRINCIPAL OFFICER, LYLE DITTMER.

3. RECOMMEND ABOLISHING AMERICAN SECRETARIAL POSITION, VOA, TANGIER AND AUTHORIZING ONE ADDITIONAL LOCAL POSITION FOR VOA, TANGIER, TO BE FILLED BY LOCAL SECRETARY WHO WOULD ACT AS SECRETARY TO DIRECTOR.  
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